Oh, where did the beautiful star go-The beautiful star in the east? Did it set forever that Christmas morn When its wonderfu mission ceased ?

Or was it a planet like the rest? With earth and water and sky, Which the dear Christ in His downward flight Smiled on as He passed it by ?

"Quick when it caught the wonderful gleam, So bright that it pierced all space, It could not choose but light the whole world And point to the glorified face."

By little girl's eyes were full of thought
As she asked me this question grave;
And I, like one in the presence of kings,
Was an awed and silenced slave.

The weighed my wiedom and found it void, Ah! yes; it was very plain From that day forth I must abdicate, dad be exacle no'er again.

So I said, "My darling, I cannot tell; Perhaps it was as you say, The beautiful star caught its wondrous light as the Christ sped on His way. "But if it is so or not, I think

Is has never sunk quite out of sight,"

And she cried out quick in her joyous way,

"Oh, let us go find it to night!" Ah! little one, we are not shepherds, or wise, But may we not see as they did?

Not with our eyes, but down in our souls, The star not quite velled or hid. Dot shining clear, with a living light,
With a light that II never dim,
The players even through the outer night,
And trafficus straight to Him.

Write for the Watchman and Southron. Recollections of Petter's Raid.

Atter E. Ives

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ground greatly favored this deter- for this house?" River. But Gen. Potter was fully informed of al! these purposes, and his movements were not as his opposers desired or he would have been fully and continued on his march.

a vast amount of rolling stock from almost every point in the State had collected : because it was deemed now the safest point for the protection of these vast military stores, besides large quanties of provisions and tobacco The main track and side track were crowded with cars to repletion and they had been crowded back towards Kingsville on the treetle into Wateree swamp for a long ject,' Gen. P. replied, 'in coming ton's Cross Roads-directly on his care were from Georgia, North Car ofina and even at a greater distance. the destroyers proceeded systebehind them. When the fire was applied to the gun power and handgrenades the concussion was terrific. S. Army. The rail road iron was all that was left and that torn and twisted into every conceivable shape. Much of it was tossed into the swamp a great distance and driven into the mire more than half its length.

I would bardly dare to venture a valuation of this vast pile of provistores. Having completed his work be made his way directly to Wright's

He had just gotten home a few days no stragglers. before from an extended tour through the West, under a special commission

South Carolina. army; and another was to produce concert of action among the Governors of should befall the Confederate Cause. Gov. Manning arrived in Montgomery, Ala., just after Sherman engomery his route lay by Augusta, 'This is a fine structure.' Ga, where he was most kindly rewas clear to Gen. Hill, and it was York will destroy it.' his standpoint, and surroundings almost every interest of the Confederate cause was then in jeopardy. There were great anxieties in the minds of all. Gen. Hill's kindness and attentions to his distinguished guest were marked. On his departure home the General furnished him with an intellligent courier, an ambulance, a pair of active mules and a driver. He pushed on with all speed, you violate these orders in any resreaching Orangeburg just two hours before Sherman took possession of Columbia. He now made his way to the Santee River, across which was his home, some 15 miles away. When this immense swamp was reached, it was seen that it was completely flooded with an unusual freshet. It became a serious question with him how to cross this danan experienced stock driver of that officer of the conquering army.' region. A bargain was soon made. All of the officers went over the

sures were taken to unite the various is justifiable in an invading army. asked him for a dollar for foreign misbodies of soldiers who were collect. They can't take up arms against you. sions.' ing, to oppose him, it was seriously The cotton belonged to the Hon. doubted if they would prove effec- Richard I. Manning, Senator of Clartual. As we have seen, the near ap- endon County, who died at the breakproach of Potter was now beyond a ing out the war.' The General redoubt, by the lofty columns of smoke plied, 'I knew of the cotton and this serve you in case of misfortune. distinctly seen by all some four miles destruction has been done against my

diate family, but there had been col- homes of the neighborhood, all the was terrifying. These sought the to several houses in their unprotected

in and emptying it clear of its entire | tion to me.'

a dead man.

given from another negro officer, and ladies of the mansion on the close of he added 'the General is at the front | the war. caught. He flanked them success- door.' The Governor turned at once his back upon these negro intruders, sion he found it filled with Confeder-His objective point was now the and walking the length of the hall ate soldiers, hungry and tired. S. C. Raitroad from Kingsville to out into the portico, found the Gene-Camden, where, at Middleton Depot | ral with his staff seated upon their | his message to the Governor. He rehorses. He addressed him, 'I sup- turned his respects to the General and posed this is the commander of the said, 'the General's compliments to U. S. Army?'

come to protect your family and house sixty Confederate soldiers all of whom

Gov Manning replied, 'I ask no nated so disastrously.'

into the extensive hall with perhaps efficer, the only commissioned one There was much to be destroyed 25 or more of his staff and other offi- in General Potter's army. He was cers, all of whom appeared intelli- from Massachusetts. We were so inmatically. They left not a vestige gent and refined gentlemen. As he formed the night the army was in entered the hall, the Governor an- Manning. The next time we hear of nounced the Commander of the U. him was, that he entered that night

readers to know, that only a few paces taken for Theodore Harvin, a colored from where Gen. Potter alighted from man, a carpenter by trade, who behis horse at the front door of Gov. longed to Dr. Ingram Theodore was Manning's mansion stands an anti- the husband of Mary, our wet nurse. was never stronger than at the present time. quated oak, under the shade of which He was at once asked, 'why Theo- Besides the pictures, HARPER'S WEEKLY al-Lord Cornwallis' tent was pitched for | dore what are you doing in our house | a considerable period during the Rev- this time of night?' and was ordered lustrated, with short stories, poems, sketches, sions, semmunition and various army olutionary war. I stood under its out. The next time we hear of him, and papers on important current topics by the

ing of all, 'there shall be no injury to perty, and the horrible insulting be-On Wednesday, April 19th a lofty your estate, Governor, and the ladies haviour heaped upon his family. solumn of smoke was seen from Ex. shall be protected." He was pre-Gov. John L. Manning's Mansion by sented to the ladies in the parlors and in the march of the army towards the Governor, and the ladies compos- library. There was the utmost quiet- Sumter. We shall not particularize ing the family. It was about 9 ness and politeness shown by the these. Again we hear of this creao'clock in the day. It told unmis- officers. Orders were immediately ture through Corfederate soldiers who HARPER'S MAGAZINE, One Year......\$1 00 host was not far off on the direct should be protected. After a short of our guns on Morris Island, for alroad to the Governor's residence. time the entire army passed, leaving ledged cruelty to Union soldiers. HARPER'S FRANKLIN SQUARE

of Judge Magrath, then Governor of Some of the houses were burned, rav- been with General Potter in this raid The purpose of this commission the Governor's house was injured. war ended he settled down in Kingwas to increase the fighting forces The utmost quiet prevailed after the stree, S. C., and with his family re- no time is mentioned, it will be understood of Gens. Beauregard and Johnson's General alighted at the front door.

ceived Gen. D. H. Hill, then in com- built by a man from New England by like white adventurers, this man came

so stated to the Governor that from 'No, sir,' replied the General, 'that State Constution. He was returned is not my intention, your place shall at the next election to the State

be protected.' After the General and his officers

had been in the house a short time. two of his soldiers came upon the grounds with a lasso in pursuit of a favorite horse. Gen. Potter called at once saying orders have been issued for the protection of this place. If pect I'll have you hung to the first tree. He inquired of the Governor

if he had received any news of the fall of the Confederate cause? When answered in the negative, he replied, situation well, 'won't you have to get 'It is imminent, if it is not already the case.' The Governor remarked, 'It away from here?' would bring great sorrow to millions right!' of hearts

About that time his army was passgerous swamp now swept by these ing, and one of the officers proposed rapid floods. But dangerous as the to one of the ladies to walk to the an 'unlimited leave of absence.' It crossing seemed, there came to the front door and see the army. While was granted Governor's rescue his usual persis- looking at it passing he said, 'does teney and indomitable energy. He not this remind you of the Israelites had been read out to him and a proat once dismissed the courier, ambu- escaping from the Egyptians?' She position had been made to him. He lance and driver, and now thrown looked at him and said, 'That is not a upon his own resources, he found remark which should be made by an the State.

He was to receive 100 dollars in Cen- house as a matter of curiosity, and federate money if he would put him for some hours conversation was kept rafely across on the other side. This up on general matters, as much so as was much religious interest, an old man stockman was an adept with his pad- it was possible when a period of such gave expression to his joy by shouting, dle and canno and could traverse the disaster seemed so near at hand.

direct orders.' The Governor's home was not only | There was much ravaging and dea place of protection for his imme- struction of property in the various lected there all the ladies of the men being in the army and these entire neighborhood. In the absence homes only occupied by ladies of their husbands and brothers, all of Everything that could be was done to nor was the only man to whom they by Lieut. Baldwin of the General's could go in this hour of extreme staff. All who saw him and his kindsurmising whose property was being new and better condition of things destroyed, an excited and noisy mass would arise from the triumphant of black soldiers, with yells and oaths, march of the U. S. army. The Govcame upon the grounds in the wild- ernor replied, 'What might be a matest confusion. There seemed to be ter of pride and congratulation to you no end to them. They rushed at and to your army would always be a once upon the store room breaking source of bitter grief and mortifica-

About 4 o'clock, P M., he mount-Perhaps no one in the State had a ed his horse at the front door and rode better supplied larder than the Gov- away. Gen. Potter had not left the ernor, had just at that time. It was house 20 minutes, before Lieut all taken from him. The ladies of Rhett, a nephew of Hon. Barnwell the Mansion were singularly com- Rhett rode up hurriedly, and informposed, and tried as best they could to ed him that he had been sent to inadjust themselves to their surround- form him that Gen'ls Lee and Johnings in this hour of peril. They oc- ston had surrendered to the U.S. cupied the parlors and library, while Government. He was so wearied several remained with the Governor and utterly exhausted that, throwing in the Hall. It was only a little himself down upon a divan in the hall, Gen Pater moved off from Cam- while when with the greatest inso- he in a moment, seemingly, was in a den directly on the river road, pro- lence these black soldiers crowded to sound sleep. When the Governor ceeding to Boykin's Mill. Here as the back entrance with a view of had reflected a moment on the imwe have intimated, it was the re- entering the mansion. There the portance of this message to him, his Keiffer and Bartlett Pear Trees solve of the Confederate forces to Governor had taken his stand, and conclusion was it was too momentous make a more resolute resistance to his | boldly and fearlessly forbid their en- to be kept a moment from Gen. Potfurther progress than had been made tering the Hall. At that moment a ter. So he aroused Rhett from his since the fight at Dingle's Mill. It negro Sergeant, desperate and fero- sleep and urged him at once to purwas thought that the nature of the cious, asked, have you any protection sue Gen. Potter and make this announcement from him. He overtook mination; and beside, Potter's forces The Governor's reply was imme- Gen. Potter a mile away and fastening log cart. had been somewhat depleted by his diate, our only protection is from the his white handkerchief to his sword detaching a force to guard the pris- army of the Confederate States. The rode on waving it. The General reoners who had been sent to his gun negro raised his gun and levelling it ceived the message and at once sent boats at Wright's Bluff, on the Santee at the Governor's head said, you are one of Aides back to the Governor's mansion with his good wishes to the At that instant the cry 'halt' was Governor and his compliments to the

When the Aide reached the man-

The Aide of Gen. Potter delivered me and to the ladies of the mansion 'Yes sir, Gen. Potter, and I have have been delivered in the presence of are sad enough that the war has termi-

protection, but for the ladies under General Potter's course was now tomy roof, and that is always granted wards Wright's Bluff, on the Santee in civilized warfare. 'That is my ob. river. He dined that day at Broughhere, and I will carry out my purpose. route. I have in these papers sever-He then dismounted and walked al times referred to a certain colored

the house of one of the citizens occu-[It may be of interest to your many | pied by ladies. He was immediately

shadow with considerable interest.] was the active part he took in the de-The General said within the hear- struction of Dudley E. Hodge's pro- PER'S WEEKLY a safe as well as a welcome This creature was frequently 'officer There was great commotion and of the day,' and he has been heard excitement in the neighborhood. to speak exultingly of his having aged and destroyed, but nothing at through South Carolina. When the mained there. He never tried to that the subscriber wishes to commence with General Potter was disposed to be pass himself off as a white man. His sociable, and to remove all restraint resemblance in size, complexion, etc., years back in neat cloth binding, will be sent by the Southern States in case disaster from the Governor, his family, and was striking enough, and we are not mail postage paid, or by express, free of ex surprised that he should have been The Governor remembers General taken for Theodore. His photograph Potter's taking him to the front por- lies before me. When the 'Ebony' not to be forgotten interview. It man by the name of Potter from New member of the Convention which

tered Savannah, Ga. From Mont- tico and admiring the grounds, said, became the ascendant element in this This is a fine structure.' commonwealth, pushed on and en-'Yes,' replied the Governor, it was couraged by Whittemore and such mand. Here was had a long and the name of Potter, and I suppose a prominently to the front. He was a made such radical changes in our G . W. C. DICK, D. D. S. Legislature in 1:68 as a member of the House, and represented Williamsburg County in successive terms as Senator. In the Mackey House he was a leading spirit and he will not soon be forgotten by all the members of the Wallace House. When Hampton's star arose in the ascendency and the bayonets of the U. S. Troops were removed from our State (blessed deliverance indeed) and the Legislature was called together, this creature with great confidence appeared. He was

'Oh, no! Oh, no, my record is all

'Well, you'll see.' After the organization of the House was completed he asked at once for

The record of his past behavior got away. Stephen A. Swails left

How He Was Silenced.

At a recent meeting in which there and continued it until it began to interswamp with a perfect certainty of Gov. Manning took the General rupt the services. Brother II. said to

finding his way out. He was safely soon after the army had passed, to the Brother W., 'Go, stop the old man's landed, but was now fifteen miles door and pointed to him a column of noise.' He went to him and spoke a from home. The Governor walked smoke about four miles away, and few words, and the shouting man at said, 'General there is the smoke of once became quiet. 'Brother H.,' At home he learned that Potter 700 bales of cotton belonging to a asked Brother W., 'what did you say was making his way through Sumter widow and her children. The eldest to the old man that quieted him so District, and that while active mea- is not 12 years old. I don't think it promptly?' Brother W., replied, 'I

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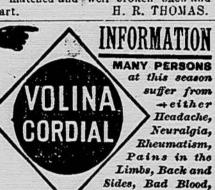
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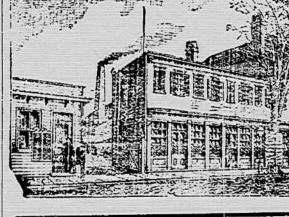
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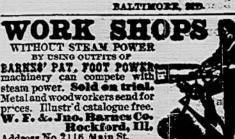
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